

Remarks

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on March 10, 2006. In the Office Action, restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following groups:

- I - claims 1-5, 7-10, and 16-20; and
- II - claims 11, 14, and 15.

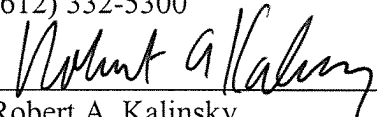
Election of Group I, including claims 1-5, 7-10, and 16-20 is made with traverse.

The restriction requirement is respectfully traversed because the Action fails to establish that there would be a serious burden if restriction is not required. MPEP 808.02. For example, a complete search of all of claims 1-20 was conducted for the first Office Action mailed on September 27, 2005. There is no indication as to why it would now be a serious burden to continue examination of all pending claims. MPEP 811. Reconsideration and removal of the restriction requirement are therefore requested.

Favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance of all pending claims is requested. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this application.

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